PTÖ/SB/08A (08-03)
Approved for use through 07/31/2005. OMB 0651-0031
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid QMB control number.

| Substitute for form               | 1449/PTO          | Complete if Known      |                    |  |  |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|--------------------|--|--|
|                                   |                   | Application Number     | 10/670,902         |  |  |
| INFORM                            | ATION DISCLOSURE  | Filing Date            | September 25, 2003 |  |  |
|                                   |                   | First Named Inventor   | Karen M. BRAUN     |  |  |
|                                   | IENT BY APPLICANT | Art Unit               | 2624               |  |  |
| (Use as many sheets as necessary) |                   | Examiner Name          | Gabriel GARCIA     |  |  |
| Sheet 1                           | of 1              | Attorney Docket Number | A2227-US-NP        |  |  |

| Exeminer initials* | Cite<br>No. | Document Number  Number-Kind Code <sup>2 (Finders)</sup> | Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY | Name of Patentee or                    | Pages, Columns, Lines, Where                    |
|--------------------|-------------|--|-----------------------------|--|---|
|                    | .40.        |  | MM-OD-1111                  | MM-DD-YYYY Applicant of Cited Document | Relevant Passages or Relevant<br>Figures Appear |
| 10                 | 1           | <sup>US-</sup> 2005-0166781                              | 08-04-2005                  | FRITZ et al.                           |   |
|                    | 2           | US-  |                             |  |   |
|                    | 3           | US-  |                             |  |   |
|                    | 4           | US-  |                             |  |   |
|                    | 5           | US-  |                             |  |   |
|                    | 6           | US-  |                             |  |   |
|                    | 7           | US-  |                             |  |   |
|                    | 8           | US-  |                             |  |   |
|                    | 9           | US-  |                             |  |   |
|                    | 10          | US-  |                             |  |   |
|                    | 11          | us-  |                             |  |   |
|                    | 12          | US-  |                             |  |   |
|                    | 13          | US-  |                             |  |   |
|                    | 14          | US-  |                             |  |   |
|                    | 15          | US∙  |                             |  |   |
|                    | 16          | US-  | <del>-  </del>              | †************************************* |   |
|                    | 17          | US∙  | · ·                         |  | -   |
|                    | 18          | US-  | ·                           |  |   |
|                    | 19          | บร-  | <del></del>                 |  |   |

|                       |              | FORE  | IGN PATENT DOCU     | MENTS  |   |                |
|-----------------------|--------------|---|---------------------|--|---|----------------|
| Examiner<br>Initials* | Cite<br>No.1 | Foreign Patent Document   | Publication<br>Date | Name of Patentee or<br>Applicant of Cited Document | Pages, Columns, Lines,<br>Where Relevant Passages<br>Or Relevant Figures Appear |                |
|                       |              | Country Code <sup>3</sup> "Number <sup>4</sup> "Kind Code <sup>3</sup> (If known) | MM-DD-YYYY          |  |   | T <sup>6</sup> |
|                       |              |   |                     |  | İ.,   |                |
|                       |              |   |                     |  |   |                |
|                       |              |   |                     |  |   |                |
|                       |              |   |                     | •  |   |                |
|                       |              |   |                     |  |   |                |
|                       |              |   |                     |  |   |                |

| Examiner  |                  | 77 77    | 1 . | Date          | , ,      |
|-----------|------------------|----------|-----|---------------|----------|
| Signature | 1/1/2 .          | ユルレ くいん  | / a | Considered    | 7/0/00   |
|           | 000              | <u> </u> | 1 4 | Consideration | // 8/9 / |
| PEVALINED | · last - Vd form |          |     | A NOPE ASS IS |          |

"EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at <a href="https://www.uspto.gov">www.uspto.gov</a> or MPEP 901.04. Penter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. Kind of document with the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Petent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.

Examiner: Initial if citation considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with M.P.E.P. 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

**EXAMINER** 

DATE CONSIDERED

7/8/07

Sheet 2 of 2 US Dept. of Commerce PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE Form PTO-1449 ATTY DOCKET NO. APPLICATION NO. D/A2227 INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT Karen M. Braun **APPLICANT** (Use several sheets if necessary) FILING DATE **GROUP ART UNIT U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS** EXAMINER INITIAL **PUBLICATION** SUB **DOCUMENT NUMBER** NAME OF PATENTEE CLASS CLASS DATE 5,995,714 11/30/1999 395 109 Keith A. Hadley et al. 6,169,607 B1 . 1/2/2001 358 1.9 Steven J. Harrington 6,179,485 B1 1/30/2001 Steven J. Harrington 395 109 6,215,562 B1 4/10/2001 Paul Michel et al. 358 1.9 FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS **PUBLICATION** TRANSLATION COUNTRY **DOCUMENT NUMBER** DATE NAME OF PATENTEE OR APPLICANT Y/N

| السيسيا |  |                   |                |                       |                          |                      |                  |
|---------|--|-------------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|------------------|
|         | ОТ   | HER DOCUMENTS     | (Including Aut | hor (in CAPS), Title, | Publication Date, Pages, | etc.)                |                  |
|         |  |                   |                |                       |                          |                      |                  |
|         |  |                   |                | <del></del>           |                          | <del></del>          |                  |
|         |  |                   |                |                       |                          |                      |                  |
|         |  |                   |                | <del></del>           |                          | <del></del>          |                  |
|         |  |                   |                |                       |                          |                      |                  |
| EXAMIN  | ER Ca  | lp                | SOU            | 2                     |                          | DATE CONSIDERED      | •                |
| Examin  | er: Initial of cita  | ation considered, | whether or n   | citation is in con    | ormance with M.P.E.P     | . 609. Draw line thr | ough citation if |
|         | not if conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. |                   |                |                       |                          |                      |                  |